

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, first paragraph, under the heading "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS", add the text as indicated below:

The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/070,907, filed May 4, 1998, and issued as U.S. Patent 6,238,667 on May 29, 2001, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the original Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A fusion protein is made up of (1) an antibody and (2) a peptide having a biological activity selected from the group consisting of immuno-stimulatory, membrane transport and homophilic activities wherein the peptide is connected to the antibody at a site that does not interfere with antigen binding of the antibody. The fusion protein is made by the steps of creating a fusion gene including a nucleic acid sequence encoding an antibody and a nucleic acid sequence encoding the peptide, wherein the nucleic acid sequence encoding the peptide is located inside the nucleic acid sequence encoding the antibody at a site wherein, when the fusion is expressed, the fusion protein created thereby comprises the antibody and the peptide, wherein the peptide is connected to the antibody at a site that does not interfere with antigen binding of the antibody, ~~and expressing the fusion gene to~~